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Airmen from the 212th Engineering Installation Squadron Prepare for Overseas Deployment

MILFORD, Mass. – More than 40 Airmen of the 212th Engineering Installation Squadron have received mobilization orders to deploy overseas in support of Operation Enduring Freedom and will be holding a sendoff ceremony Friday, Sept. 16, 2011 at 10 a.m. at the Worcester Military Museum.

The mission of all Air National Guard engineering installation squadrons is to engineer and install communications infrastructure. The squadron installs communications towers, cell phone towers, underground fiber optic and copper cabling, telephone switching systems, satellite dish farms. The squadrons put in the physical layer, so an individual can get a dial tone and blinking cursor.

The 212th EIS's main mission overseas will be to install, design and upgrade communications infrastructure throughout the Afghanistan area of responsibility in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The squadron will support both Air Force and Army missions.

The 212th EIS is no stranger to deployments. The squadron has had at least one Airman deployed overseas every year since 2001 in support of Operation Enduring and Iragi Freedom.

You're invited to join families and friends of these Citizen-Soldiers and the Massachusetts National Guard in bidding them farewell as they continue the Massachusetts National Guard's proud tradition of service to the American people, to our commonwealth, nation and abroad.

Media are invited to attend this event, and must register at the e-mail above

EVENT: Sendoff Ceremony, 212th Engineering Installation Squadron

PLACE: Military Museum, 44 Salisbury Street, Worcester, MA 01609

DATE: Friday, Sept. 16, 2011 at 10:30 a.m.

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